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## RECENT EVENTS REVEAL USSR CONTROL OF NORTHEAST ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

700,000 TONS OF SOYBEANS TO USSR -- Kung-shang Jih-pao, 8 Feb 50

Tokyo, 7 February (Chung-yang) -- According to a reliable source, the Northeast is to export more than 700,000 tons of soybeans to the USSR between December 1949 and March 1950. The Soviet Union is to pay the equivalent of about 70 US dollars per ton for the soybeans as compared to the world market price of about 120 US dollars per ton. The annual soybean production of the Northeast is approximately 3 million tons. If the Soviet Union purchases 700,000 tons quarterly, in the course of a year she will have received 2.1 million tons, which will mean a shortage for domestic Northeast consumption.

It is also reported that the Soviet Union will sell Fu-shun coal to Japan. This indicates clearly the extent to which the USSR controls the resources of the Northeast.

USSR AIDS SINKIANG DEVELOPMENT -- Hua-ch'iao Jih-pao, 9 Feb 50

Hong Kong, 8 February -- According to a report from the Hsin-hua News Agency, Pei-p'ing, the USSR is now aiding China in drawing up a plan for the large-scale economic development and reconstruction of Sinkiang.

A Hsin-hua dispatch from Ti-hua reports that the First Field Force has undertaken wide-scale water-conservation projects which will open up 250,000 acres for wheat and cotton cultivation.

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